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Comprensión de Textos Escritos

NIVEL B1 | INGLÉS

Apellidos:

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INSTRUCCIONES

- Duración máxima: 60 minutos.
- Este prueba consta de tres tareas:
 - En la Tarea 1 tendrás que identificar las ideas generales del texto.
 - En la Tarea 2 tendrás que entender las ideas principales del texto.
 - En la Tarea 3 tendrás que comprender los detalles importantes de un texto.
- En cada tarea obtendrás: 1 punto por cada respuesta correcta; 0 puntos por cada respuesta incorrecta o no dada.
- Solo se admitirán respuestas escritas con bolígrafo azul o negro.
- Por favor, no escribas en los espacios sombreados destinados a la calificación de las tareas.

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TASK 1

Read the following text about the benefits of Earl Grey Tea and answer the questions on page 2.

SOME SURPRISING BENEFITS OF EARL GREY TEA YOU NEVER KNEW

[0] _____ A _____

I love Earl Grey tea. I enjoy it so much that I even wrote an article on the history of Earl Grey for my blog. I discovered Earl Grey doesn't just have a unique and tasty flavour (although not everyone would agree with that), it also has a wide range of benefits.

[1] _____

Tea contains very high levels of catechin, an antioxidant that fights oral infections. Fluoride is also a natural component of Earl Grey tea, and it's also found in tap water. Fluoride is good for your teeth because it protects them from cavities, as well as fighting decay. So if you're not a fan of city water, Earl Grey can be another natural way to get your daily dose of fluoride.

[2] _____

Earl Grey tea has been known to improve digestion. It aids in the digestive process and helps relieve painful indigestion, colic and nausea. It is also used to treat intestinal problems such as worms. Because it helps the digestive process, it can also help to keep you regular.

[3] _____

The bergamot in Earl Grey tea has been known to have a calming effect on people, as well as to push up a person's mood. This is due to bergamot's natural aromatherapy qualities. In this way Earl Grey is a good natural solution for people suffering from depression, stress and anxiety.

[4] _____

Earl Grey contains high quantities of antioxidants, which help our bodies to fight off free radicals that cause diseases such as cancer. Therefore, drinking the tasty beverage can give you a greater chance of not developing such diseases.

On a slightly less serious note, antioxidants also help your skin to stay healthy and looking young. Again, this is due to fighting free radicals that can damage your skin.

[5] _____

Unsurprisingly, one of the most popular effects of Earl Grey tea is weight loss. This is primarily due to its citrus extract. It's because of this that many people believe that citrus fruits in general can induce weight loss. It's thought that calories are either broken down into food for your muscles or released through the natural metabolic process. So instead of cream or sugar, try putting lemon in your future cups of tea instead.

[6] _____

Unlike the effects of coffee, Earl Grey tea relaxes and soothes the body almost instantly. It also has a stress relief effect whilst simultaneously providing the same clarity and focus as coffee. This makes it the perfect alternative for those who don't want to get overly wired from coffee.

Adapted from: <http://www.herbalmedicineuk.com/>



Read the text about the surprising benefits of Early Grey Tea on page 1. For headings B to I, write in the box the number of the paragraph which the heading best summarizes. There are TWO EXTRA headings which you do not need to use. Write only ONE number in each box. Heading A is an example from paragraph 0. You will get 1 point per correct answer.

| | ANSWER | |
|--|--------|---|
| A. A product full of benefits | 0 | ✓ |
| B. A natural cold remedy | | |
| C. A powerful tool for your diet | | |
| D. It keeps you well hydrated | | |
| E. It prevents you from getting old | | |
| F. It helps you have a healthy mouth | | |
| G. It keeps you awake and relaxed | | |
| H. No more stomach pains after eating | | |
| I. You won't feel nervous or depressed anymore | | |

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TASK 2

Read the following text called “Zombies invade the world” and answer the questions on page 4. Notice that the words or expressions in bold* will appear in a glossary at the end of the text.

ZOMBIES INVADE THE WORLD

Yes! There is a worldwide **outbreak*** of zombies. Germans call these **shuffling***, **bent*** creatures “*Smombies*,” a [0]: zombie and smartphones. *Smombies* are the people you see walking around with their eyes on their smartphones and not on the road ahead.

Each year, **hordes*** of people are hurt by **bumping into*** objects, falling into pools [1]. Innocent drivers who can’t avoid these zombies suffer from the trauma of hurting others. [2] down the street don’t move fast enough to avoid zombies and are commonly bumped and injured.

And this isn’t just taking place in your neighborhood. Zombies are a [3] the world.

In Seoul, South Korea, the city’s transportation department put up signs that show people using smartphones walking into cars. The signs are meant to remind people how dangerous walking can be when they don’t pay attention. The problem is that people must look up from their smartphones [4].

Germany officials put bright strips of LED lights right in the sidewalk. This was done to keep people from walking into city trains. These lights have also been used in sidewalks in the [5]. Many people don’t like this idea, because it makes zombies feel that they don’t have to pay attention to the world around them.

In Austria, officials put airbags [6] to keep zombie tourists from smashing into them as they walk through the streets looking at their phones.

The city of Chongqing in southwest China has tried to solve this problem by making [7]. One is for people who are not using smartphones as they walk. The other is for people walking with their heads down.

Honolulu, Hawaii, has passed a law making it illegal to enter a **crosswalk*** while you are looking at your smartphone. People who step out into traffic with their eyes on their phone face [8].

Because of all the traffic accidents caused by zombies with their phones, Brazil has older ladies helping [9] cross the street safely.

All around the world, zombies—or *smombies*, if you prefer—put themselves and other people in danger. You can help stop the invasion. Remember this: a smartphone weighs about 4 **ounces***. A car can weigh about 80,000 ounces. When they [10], who do you think will win? Now, look up.

Source: www.safesearchkids.com



Glossary:

- * **outbreak:** a sudden appearance, eruption.
- * **shuffling:** moving along the ground without lifting your feet.
- * **bent:** not straight, curved.
- * **hordes:** large numbers.
- * **bumping into:** colliding with, coming into contact with.
- * **crosswalk:** a crossing, a pedestrian walkway.
- * **ounces:** 1 ounce is 28,35 grams.

Read the text called “Zombies invade the world” on page 3 and complete each gap (1-10) with ONE suitable sentence from the list below (A-L). Capital letters have been removed and there is ONE extra sentence which you do not need to use. The first one (0) is an example. Write your answers in the corresponding boxes. You will get 1 point per correct answer.

| | ANSWER | |
|--|----------|---|
| A. huge fines | | |
| B. problem around | | |
| C. and getting hit by bikes and vehicles | | |
| D. two walking lanes | | |
| E. all around the USA | | |
| F. older and disabled people walking | | |
| G. to see the signs | | |
| H. young smartphone addicts | | |
| I. word made by joining two words | <i>0</i> | ✓ |
| J. hit each other | | |
| K. around lampposts | | |
| L. Netherlands | | |

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TASK 3

Read the following text about the recreation of the voice of a mummy and answer the questions on pages 6 and 7.

SCIENTISTS RECREATE VOICE OF 3,000-YEAR-OLD MUMMY

Scientists have used modern technology to recreate the voice of an Egyptian mummy who's been dead for 3,000 years. During his lifetime, the mummy was a priest whose job was to sing and chant.

Nesyamun is a mummy from ancient Egypt. For the last 200 years, Nesyamun has been part of the collection at Leeds University Museum. During his lifetime, over 3,000 years ago, Nesyamun sang and chanted as a priest in Thebes, the capital of Egypt. When he died, Nesyamun was mummified and sealed in a decorated coffin. The coffin had the words "Nesyamun, true of voice" written on it.

In 2016, scientists took Nesyamun to Leeds General Infirmary, where they put the mummy in a CT scanner.

A CT scanner uses a computer to combine many different X-ray pictures taken from different angles to build a 3D image of an object. This allows scientists and doctors to see inside of things without cutting them open.

The CT scanner gave the scientists a complete picture of Nesyamun's vocal tract – basically the tube running from the throat to the lips that is used to make sounds. Because the process of turning Nesyamun into a mummy was done so well, his vocal tract was in surprisingly good shape.

Once the scientists had images of the vocal tract, they were able to make a 3D-printed copy of it.

Dr. David Howard, one of the main scientists involved in the project had done some similar work before. He created something he called a "Vocal Tract Organ" (VTO). This is basically a speaker that can push sounds through a 3D-printed vocal tract.

The scientists chose a simple sound as a test. The sound was somewhere between the vowels heard in the words "bed" and "bad". They used the VTO to play the sound through the 3D-printed vocal tract.

It's not much, really – just a shaky "ehhhhh" sound. But the scientists say the sound is very much like the sound that Nesyamun would have made. How can they be so sure? They've made 3D-printed models of the vocal tracts of living people. The sounds those models make are very similar to the voices of the actual people.

The sound isn't perfect. The sound wasn't produced by Nesyamun's own vocal cords – the folds in the throat that vibrate to create sound. The researchers also point out that Nesyamun's tongue is mainly gone.

But the researchers believe this is just the first step. They hope that at some point in the future, using carefully made models and more computing power, they will be able to recreate the sounds of Nesyamun speaking in full sentences.

Professor Joann Fletcher told the BBC that Nesyamun wanted his voice to be heard after he was dead. "It's actually written on his coffin," she said. "It was what he wanted. In a way, we've managed to make that wish come true."

Adapted from: <https://newsforkids.net>

Read the text about the recreation of the voice of a mummy on pages 5 and 6. For questions 1-10 choose the best answer A, B or C. Only one of the answers is correct. Number 0 is given as an example. Write your answers in the corresponding boxes. You will get 1 point per correct answer.

| | ANSWER | |
|--|--------|---|
| 0. The mummy is from an Egyptian ... who lived 3000 years ago. A. scientist B. singer C. priest | C | ✓ |
| 1. Nesyamun's rests are kept in ... A. Leeds. B. Thebes. C. Cairo. | | |
| 2. A CT scanner is a device which ... A. combines 3D objects and X-ray pictures. B. produces X-ray pictures that allow the doctors to cut things open. C. makes a very precise 3D image of an object. | | |
| 3. Nesyamun's vocal tract was so well preserved because ... A. scientists used a very precise scanner. B. its mummification process was excellent. C. it was not necessary to cut it open. | | |
| 4. The CT scanning of Nesyamun's vocal tract was essential to ... A. understand how the mummy was treated. B. build a 3D printed copy of it. C. study how vocal tracts work. | | |
| 5. The "Vocal Tract Organ" was ... the studies on Nesyamun's mummy. A. created before B. made to confirm C. created thanks to | | |
| 6. The VTO consists in ... A. creating a 3D-printed vocal tract. B. using a speaker to test a 3D-printed vocal tract. C. experimenting with human vocal tracts. | | |
| 7. Scientists used a ... sound to test Nesyamun's vocal tract copy. A. syllabic B. vocalic C. consonantal | | |
| 8. Scientists are sure they have reproduced Nesyamun's voice because ... A. they had some experience in making these 3D printed models. B. the mummy's vocal tract was very well-preserved. C. the sound they tested was very easy to reproduce. | | |



| | ANSWER | |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|
| 9. The sound isn't perfect because Nesyamun's vocal cords ... A. were not properly preserved. B. did not really produce the sound. C. were not properly printed. | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| 10. Researchers expect to recreate Nesyamun's voice in the future by ... A. studying how old Egyptians used to speak. B. teaching computers how to speak. C. improving the 3D models and the computer technology. | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
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